GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2641
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2015
Pending Bills
Kodikunnil Shri Suresh;Premachandran Shri N.K.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received several Bills from various States for approval;

(b) if so, the names of the Bills received along with those approved and pending with the Union Government including the reasons for pendency during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Plachimada Coca-cola Victims Relief and Compensation Claims Special Tribunal Bill, 2011;

(c) whether the Government proposes to withhold some bills passed by the State Legislatures including those against the interest of Corporates and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the pending Bills are likely to be approved?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The details of the Bills received from the State Governments (under Article 200 read with article 254(2) of the Constitution of India) for the consideration and assent of the President of India under Article 201 of the Constitution of India during last three years and the current year, State-wise, and the status of each Bill are provided at the Annexure.

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As regards "the Plachimada Coca-cola Victims Relief and Compensation Claims Special Tribunal Bill, 2011", the Hon'ble President has withheld his assent from the Bill, and the same has since been conveyed to the State Government on 27.11.2015.

(c) & (d): The State Legislations are examined by the Ministry from three angles viz. repugnancy with Central laws, deviation from National or Central Policy, and legal & Constitutional validity.

Whenever necessary, the State Governments are advised to modify/amend provisions of such Legislations keeping the above in view. Sometimes, discussions are also held with the State Governments and Ministries/Departments of the Government of India with a view to arrive at the final decision. Since such State legislations are examined in consultation with various Ministries / Departments and the concerned State Governments, it is difficult to fix a time frame for their approval.
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